

Americans rely on television stations as a major source of news, including information about political candidates and the issues that face our nation. For some Americans, television may be their only source of such information. That gives the television stations a great deal of power. Since they use the public airwaves free of charge, it is their legal responsibility to serve the public interest. Many stations, however, are not living up to this responsibility. True investigative journalism is becoming a thing of the past. Instead, the TV news media are increasingly airing editorial information as news. Many people don't realize that they are getting a slanted view that is more opinion than fact. It is the FCC's responsibility to make sure that the public airwaves are not misused. Sinclair should not be allowed to air a one-sided program like "Stolen Honor" which does not serve the public interest, and which could be harmful to our democracy, especially if they won't give equal time for a pro-Kerry program. Please protect our airwaves from such flagrant abuses of power. Thank you.